Are you concerned about the economy in the next year?

Are you seeking solutions to this financial crisis?

Virginia Asian Chamber of Commerce invites you to find solutions to this issue at:

"The 2009 Virginia Economic Outlook Forum"

With the American Public, Network of Virginia Service Providers, and Members of Our Minority Consortium of Multicultural –Hispanic, African American, Asian, and Other Multi-Ethnic - Network of Businesses and Professionals.

Tuesday, December 2, 2008

5:30 pm – 8:00 pm 919 East Main Street Richmond, VA 23219 Piedmont Room, 4th Floor

Free Parking

Free parking inside the SunTrust Bank on the corner of 9th and E Cary Street, downtown Richmond.

Refreshments

Light dinner: Heavy Indian, Vietnamese & Assorted European hors d'oeuvres, vegetarian and non vegetarian.

This Event is Open to the Public Registration is Required

Registration

You must pre-register via email or telephone to reserve your seat: Email aabac@aabac.org or call (804) 798-3975.

- \$7 Members/Students
- \$10 General Public
- \$15 Walk-ins without pre-registration

Registration includes: Reception/Light Dinner/Asian entrepreneurs networking with our American guests – non profits- corporations and sponsors /7 Economic Briefing Sessions.

As the 2008 economic crisis is the top priority in the mind of all Americans at this time, Virginia Asian Chamber of Commerce and community partners invite you to participate in an important Economic Briefings Forum with focus on the current economy meltdown.

Our speakers will explain to you - in language we all can understand - on our current economic crisis and an economic outlook for 2009, i.e what businesses and organizations have to learn TODAY in order to prepare for the day we are out of this recession? Our speakers will offer insights, business intelligence, and solutions as well as a projection on the impact of the crisis on your organization management strategies and valuable lessons learnt by all.

Sponsorship

This event is sponsored by State Farm

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Our Extensive network of Multi-Ethnic Communities

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Greater Richmond Partnership Virginia Department of Business Assistance Richmond Association for Business Economics Metropolitan Business League.

Websites

www.aabac.org - Domestic business site www.ibava.org - VIBA - Global business site www.procureconasia.com - Diversity business

Evening Agenda

Opening Session

The Federal Perspective: Ray Owens, Senior Economist (Confirmed)

Federal Reserve Bank/Richmond District

Topic: Overview of the Current Global Economic Downturn, Lessons Learnt, and Economic Outlook in 2009 (Housing, Mortgage, Credit, Consumer behavior, Retail Sales, Global Crisis)

Economic Briefings Program

Dave Tysinger, Senior Economist (Confirmed)

Virginia Employment Commission

Topic: Major Indicators of the Current Virginia's Labor Market and the 2009 Outlook on the Labor Market in Various Industry Sectors and Services

Lakshmi Challa, Esq., President (Confirmed)

Challa Law Offices

Topic: How the Current Economy Affects Virginia's Newcomers and Outlook on Business Immigration in the Downturn Economy

Adam Haller, CFA, Ex President (Confirmed)

Richmond Association for Business Economics and a Senior Analyst, SunTrust Bank

Topic: Lessons Learnt and How To Make Individual Investment Decisions in Any Market Environment; What areas do companies focus and invest in when it come sto non profits/philanthropy?

Brian Taylor, Vice President of Small Business Banking (Confirmed)

First Market Bank Business Banking

Topic: Effective Solutions in Business Management and Wealth Building in a Bleak Economy

Our Special Guest Speaker

Hugh Keogh, President (Confirmed)

Virginia Chamber of Commerce

Topic: How the Chamber Plans to Tackle the Full Range of Issues that Impact Businesses and Virginia's Challenging Economic Climate in 2009

Closing Session

Dr. Weiyong Zhang, Ph.D. Assistant Professor of Management (Confirmed)

Virginia Commonwealth University School of Business

Topic: Applying Process Improvement to Your Organizations' Strategies for Effective Change Management

7:30 pm to 7:55 pm

Community Dialogue with Audience Participation on the Virginia economy affecting their organizations, careers, housing and investment risks issues.

7:55 pm to 8:00 pm

A Special Artistic Thank You Gift for Our Guest Speakers: Chinese Artist Huang Yee performing the traditional two-string Chinese violin, the Erhu

8:00 pm

Program Adjourns